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SUBJ: RESTRICTIONS ON CROSSING PORTUGUESE BORDERS BY AUTOMOBILE

1. AIR, TRAIN, OR SHIP TRAVEL INTO OR OUT OF PORTUGAL BY
FOREIGNERS OR PORTUGUESE IS NORMAL. ALL TRAVELLERS ARE
SUBJECT TO THOROUGH SEARCH OF THEIR LUGGAGE.

2. AS OF MARCH 20, 1975, LAND FRONTIERS BETWEEN PORTUGAL
AND SPAIN WERE OPENED AT VALENCA, VILA VERDE DA RAIA, VILAR
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FORMOSO, AND CAIA TO ENTRY AND EXIST OF AUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC

BY FOREIGNERS AND SOME PORTUGUESE. FOREIGNERS, WHETHER TOURISTS OR RESIDENTS IN PORTUGAL, MAY DRIVE THROUGH THE FOUR BORDER POSTS. PORTUGUESE CITIZENS WHO WERE ABROAD WHEN THE BORDER WAS CLOSED MAY REENTER BY CAR. DIPLOMATS ACCREDITED TO PORTUGAL MAY LEAVE OR ENTER THE COOUNTRY BY AUTOMOBILE. FOREIGN NEWSMEN RESIDENT IN PORTUGAL MAY ENTER BY AUTOMOBILE, AND FOREIGN NEWSMEN VISITING PORTUGAL MAY DEPART BY CAR. PORTUGUESE CITIZENS AT PRESENT MAY NOT DRIVE OUT OF PORTUGAL UNLESS THEY ARE EMIGRANTS RESIDING ABROAD OR DRIVERS OF HEAVY TRUCKS CARRYING GOODS CONSIDERED VITAL TO THE ECONOMY.

3. DURING HOLY WEEK TWO ADDITIONAL BORDER POSTS, AT VILA VERDE DE FICALHO AND VILA REAL DE SANTO ANTONIO, WILL BE OPEN. DURING HOLY WEEK PORTUGUESE ON ORGANIZED EXCURSIONS WILL BE ALLOWED TO PASS THROUGH THE BORDERS ON BUSES.
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